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A Card to Owners of Rural Telephone Lines

We are anxious to see that all lines owned by other parties and connected with us are kept in such condition as to furnish efficient service. Where the owners of rural lines are responsible for their upkeep, we want to co-operate with them.

All lines require a thorough overeauling occasionally if the best service is to be obtained. We recommend that every line connected with us be overhauled at least once a year, and that at least one experienced telephone man assist in this work. The cost of this work when divided among all the patrons of the line, makes the amount paid by each man small, and this cost will be more than offset by the improved service.

If the owners of rural telephone lines in this section are experiencing trouble with their service, we will appreciate their talking the matter over with our Manager or writing us fully. We will gladly do what we can toward helping you improve the condition of your line.

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200,000 DRUG VICTIMS.

That is Revised Estimate of the Number in This Country.

How many drug addicts, popularly nown as "dope fiends," are there i: the United States?' Some writer have gone so far as to assert 2 per cent, of the population of the counry, or about 2,000,000 persons are victims of the habit-forming drugs. but experts of the United States public health service, who have just completed an inquiry into the matter. reach the conclusion that the number is probably not far from 200,000 just one-tenth the lay estimate.

The public health service found the question a difficult one to answer, for obvious reasons, and was obliged to make checking estimates from various points of departure. It was known, for instance, that the amount of opium and its derivaties legitimately imported in a year is sufficient for 2,500,000 average doses, and that the amount of cocoa leaves and cocaine similiarly brought into the country annually would make 325,-000,000 average doses. Since the amount of habit-forming drugs brought in illegitimately is known to be very small the service took the import records as setting the extreme limits of use by addicts.

In Tennessee, where a strict antinarcotic law is in force, and service found the most trustworthy data as to the number of addicts and the amounts of drugs consumed. Just 2,300 users of habit-forming drugs, two-tenths of one per cent. of the population, were registered a year after the law went into effect and the users of opium and its derivatives each consumed an average of 12,000 doses a year. The same ratio applied to the whole country would give 118,000 addicts using 1,416,000 average doses. Cocaine users, the public health service estimates, increase the total of drug victims to

Though the new federal anti-narcotic law has been in effect only a few months, the investigators found that such statistics as it has made available so far bear out their statements that previous estimates of the number of "dope fiends" have been excessive. The government's health experts state, however, that the real conditions are bad enough and that dreadnaughts, poison gas bombs and throwing bombs into the enemies' the amount of opium and cocoa consumed in America is out of all proportion to the needs of medical purposes.—Washington Star.

SLOW SALE FOR SNAKES.

Fewer "Eat-'Em-Alive" Men and Charmers Since War Began.

It now comes to pass that the European war, which is the regular catalogued alibi for anything and everything during these tremulous days, has put a crimp in the world's output of long and vicious and poisonous snakes.

for the benefit of persons who may not be aware that Philadelphia leads the United States in the importation of snakes, which the blonde ladies in the tent shows swing around like so many sawdust dolls.

The snake man said that his firm has sold some 8,000 reptiles this season, and that the firm's cash business will hit around the \$60,000 mark.

"We have had nothing from Africa or the so-called mysterious Asia sections since the war began," he said, "but we have been doing a whopper business with our domestic and South American varieties.

"It can be seen readily that the war has helped to increase the consumption of our home-grown snakes, the same as it has aided home production in other commercial lines.

"Some people have an idea that the snake business is dying out, but that's a mistake. I started in the show business with old Adam Forepaugh in the seventies, and I've been in this wholesale snake game for the last 28 years. Right here in Philadelphia, too, and the business holds up every year."

The snake-distributing game is sizes, \$20. conducted on a purely business basis. Cash in advance is the universal rule. \$10. The snake man showed a telegram root New York It read. "Send a for handling that can be obtained nice assortment of snakes, about \$15 | They are perfectly harmless and worth, C. O. D."

A man wrote a letter from up in lyhoo or feature act. Maine. The letter read: "Enclosed me 100 good, health; pine snakes, as per your recent bargain offer."

ness," the snake man continued. ries, Japanese waltzing, or spinning "There is no romance about it, and mice, and various smaller animals. money talks."

broadcast recently to the trade. This man who was selling a staple food,

snakes. The letter reads:

"I am offering as a special choice the order. lot of pine or turtle-head snakes, sizes four, five and six feet, as fol-

A MODERN SEA MYSTERY.

What of the Ma owijne; Where Are Her Passengers?

A few weel's ago-about the time the Gul of Mexico was swept by the hurricane which did so much damage along the Texas coast—a United States Fruit company steamer, the Marowijne, was lost, or least it has not been heard from since. The ship was caught in all the fury of the southern storm and somewhere, some time, somehow, a few of its crew and passengers may have been cast away on an inconspicuous and lonely island. By way of New Orleans the re port comes that the survivors are held for ransom. Where, no one knows. By whom is a deeper mystery. The United Fruit company officially disavows belief in the report, but nevertheless it feels it necessary to advertise in the hope that the captors can be reached. The company is in the business of transporting fruit, not amplyfying sea yarns, but nevertheless it promises to pay whatever ransom may be needed for the release of the castaways. In this commercial day, amid the noisier alarms of the European war, can such a plot be surpassed by the fiction writers?

An anonymous letter is responsible for the statement that the survivors of the Marowijne are safe. It may or may not be true-probably not. Yet who can tell? The waters of the Gulf and the Caribbean Sea are dotted with little islands, some of which are close to the track of commerce, while others are remote, and possibly there are a few that are unchart-

ed. There are such points of land on the face of the deep, especially in those zones where volcanic disturbances are frequent. The more the officials of the United Fruit company pondered the matter the more, probably, they felt it necessary to do all that could be done under the circumstances. True or not, the anonymous letter offered a ray of hope. Here is a mystery, a ready-made plot for the "movies," or the skeleton of some such romance as Stevenson could have written. What matters it, for purposes of fiction or motion pictures, whether the yarn be true or false? The sea before this has been made to give up the lost, so why not the survivors of the Marowijne?

From the earliest times the sea has been the exemplification of mystery. The face of the deep is inscrutable. The ancient mariners, skirting the shores of their country in flimsy canoes, looked out to sea with a dreadful desire. The Phoenicians overcame the fear of the unknown to a degree. The caravels which they sailed out into the west from the shores of Spain cut into cherished delusions, yet revealed sources of treasures undreamt of. Ever since the mythical voyage of Jason until these days of steam and speed-passage, journeys by sea have retained something of the romance which enveloped the search for the Golden Fleece. As the generator of mystery and possibility the sea has This information is given chiefly no peer.-Indianapolis News,

Wanted to Hit Him First.

"Now Ethel, Harold says he's sorry he broke your doll, so I want you to forgive him."

"I'd feel more like forgiving him, mother, if I could hit him back

Consistency.

"Don't you think it is extremely vulgar to dress as Miss Stylish does to attract attention on the street?" "Yes, indeed! I wonder who her dressmaker is?"

"I asked her, but she wouldn't tell

Vital Point.

Boston Father-Of course, you understand that there is no Santa

Little Son-Is this a philosophical discussion or merely a hint that I'm not going to get anything for Christmas?

"One dozen snakes, in assorted

"Half dozen snakes, assorted sizes,

"These are the best small snakes make a big flash. Excellent for bal-

"These snakes are the sacred find draft for \$100, for which send snakes of India, and are worshipped as such by the natives of India."

The snake man's catalogue shows "This game is all straight busi- also that he handles cockatoos, cana-

Any one who is tired of his pres-The snake man submitted a mim- ent vocation has an easy chance to eograph letter which he sent embark in the snake business. This catalogue contains what is described letter is phrased like a regular let- as a "Bosco" outfit, containing a ter, such as might be written by a large assortment of large and small snakes, which are knocked down at conly that the commodity offered is the ridiculously low price of \$20. But remember, cash must accompany

You remember Bosco, of course,

"He eats 'em alive."